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A True

RELATION

OF AN

Horrid & Barbarous Murder,

COMMITTED

By Three *French* Officers, on an *Iriſh* Captain in *Smithfield* in *DUBLIN.*

Licenſed according to Order.

ONE *Gehoghean*, the Son of an *Iriſh* Gentleman, of a competent Fortune in the Country of *Weſt-Meath*, until being too deeply dipt in the late *Iriſh* Rebellion of Forty One, it was forfeited into better hands, was, being the younger Son, for a Livelihood, put forth to Service: the *Iriſh* in this not being unlike the *Spaniards*, who will ſend their Children into the Service of a Gentleman, thô but in the capacity of a *Valet*, or Footman, rather than put them Prentice to one who has forfeited his Gentility by a Mechanick Profeſſion; and in the caſe of this Officer the Event was better than ordinary; for he being a Servant to Coll. *Richard Hamilton*, now Major-General, went with him ſome Years ſince into *France*, where he became a good Proficient in the Trade of War, and behaved himſelf with ſo much bravery, that aſſiſted by his Maſter's endeavours, he had a Company of Foot given to him there: And when the late King's Acceſſion to the Crown, had made way for Papiſts to come into Employments, of which they were before incapable, he returned home into his own Country, not only with the Name of a good Souldier, but alſo with ſeveral advantages, and other gentile Accompliſhments which he had acquired abroad: He was lately made Lieutenant of Horſe in the Lord of *Gilmoy's* Regiment, and Adjutant to the ſame; and being in *Dublin*, he lodged at the *Royal Oak* Inn in *Smithfield*, where alſo three other *French* Officers were quarter'd; the Captain's being in *France*, ſoon brought him to an intimacy in their acquaintance; the *French* Practices in *Ireland*, and their Glorious Atchievements abroad, were frequently the Subjects of their Entertainments, the Monſieurs ſtill magnifying their Maſter's Grandeur: And one day, when the *Iriſh* Gentleman diſturbed with ſome concern, to ſee two or three *French* Officers placed in the moſt conſiderable Poſts of the Armies which were ſent againſt *London-Derry* and *Enniskilling*, told his new Acquaintance, with a little more freedom than before, That the Ambaſſadour was beginning to throw off that Maſque of Friendſhip which he pretended to King *James's* Intereſts, a little too ſoon; that they all ſaw plainly enough, that it was not to relieve the poor *Iriſh* that the *French* was ſent amongſt them, but to ſecure the Country for themſelves

ſelves, as they had done *Lorrain*, *Burgundy*, &c. before. To this one of the Monſieur's return'd, That in the poſture in which the Affairs of *Europe* then ſtood, there was none other then *Lewis le Grand* was capable, or indeed willing to eſpouſe his Quarrel; that what he had already done, did ſufficiently teſtifie his Zeal to the Catholick Church, and King *James*'s Cauſe; and if none of his Countrymen (meaning the *Iriſh*) were capacitated to Command an Army, it was none of their Maſter's fault, but that he deſerved more the Thanks of all the *Iriſh*, that would hazard his good Souldiers and Treaſure (at a time when he may be thought to ſtand in much need of both himſelf) for their preſervation, and to buoy up the tottering Intereſts of a Fugitive Prince.

The Captain could not well ſuffer ſuch a Taunt, tho' he ſtill obſerved that Decorum towards them, which he thought due to Strangers, who pretended nothing elſe but Amity and Kindneſs; but he told them, That had not King *James* too much eſpouſed their Maſter's Deſigns in the time of his Proſperity, he might have been at that day in a Condition to give Laws unto *France*, and make the ſtouteſt of the *French-men* quake.

This put the *French* Blood into ſuch a motion, that nothing but the Aggreſſor's could allay the Violence of it; and one of them ſtepping to the Door of the Chamber, locks it, whilſt another drew his Sword, and aſſail'd the Captain, whom he manag'd with ſo much addreſs, that a ſecond was forced to draw for his aſſiſtance, but the *Iriſh* Officer clapt his Back to the Wall, and defended himſelf with a great deal of bravery againſt the Aſſaults of them both, receiving ſome Wounds in the left Arm, until the third Gentleman fill'd with a diſdain to ſee two of his Countrymen ſo baſled by a ſingle Perſon, for whom he had ſo contemptible a regard, as not eſteeming him worthy a Treatment with Honours nicer Rules, drew his Sword alſo, and with ſo much ſucceſs made a thruſt, that poor Captain *Gehogean*'s Body was not able to hinder it, from running quite through him, after he had received that Wound he fell, the noiſe of the Swords had brought up the Servants of the Houſe to the Door, which they could not open without the help of a *Smith*, but before he came the Tragedy was acted, and a Maid-Servant peeping through a Key-hole in the Door, ſaw the Particulars of the above Relation. But the Monſieur's having laid their Enemy on the Ground, fairly unlocked the Door, before the Tools for breaking it open were brought. The Captain was carried to his Bed, and lived not much longer than to relate the occaſion of the Quarrel, but died before day the next Morning: Some of the *Iriſh* Grenadiers of Horſe hearing of the diſaſter, ſeized on the Murderers, who were all three ſent to *Newgate*, in which they continued not above four days before they were releaſt, and the buſineſs put up; for it was alledged on their ſide, that being Forreigners they were not ſubject to *Iriſh* Laws, in a time when *Ireland* had ſo great need of their aſſiſtance: And notwithſtanding all the Inſtances of the dead Man's Friends, which were urgent enough, and made by Perſons of good Quality, no more ſatisfaction could be obtain'd. Every one may eaſily judge what Hand it was that unlockt the Priſon Doors; for ſuch is the Protection which King *James* gives his pretended Subjects there, who dare not, or cannot redreſs their Wrongs.

And truly the *French* King has gain'd ſuch an Aſcendant over the Fortunes of that unhappy Prince, that all his Motions are directed by *French* Miniſters; whilſt he only bears the Name, and ſtands but as a Cypher to anſwer the Sum, and juſtifie the Politicks of the Moſt Chriſtian King. And his Subjects as inſolent as there Maſter, copy in larger Characters, what he frames in little; for ſo barbarous and intolerable are their Demeanour in *Dublin*, that the Wives and Daughters of the beſt Citizens among them, are not ſecure from their Goatiſh Appetites, when they have an opportunity of diſcovering them.

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A CATALOGUE OF THE NOBILITY AND Principal Gentry

(Said to be) in Arms with the

PRINCE of ORANGE,

And in ſeveral other Parts of *ENGLAND.*

PRince *George* of *Denmark.*
Duke of *Grafton.*
Earl of *Clarendon.*
Earl of *Devonſhire.*
Earl of *Exeter.*
Earl of *Danby.*
Earl of *Abington.*
Earl of *Shrewsbury.*
Earl of *Maxfeild.*
Earl of *Northampton.*
Earl of *Radnor.*
Earl of *Cheſterfield.*
Earl of *Scarſdale.*
Earl of *Weſtmorland.*
Earl of *Rutland.*
Earl of *Wiltſhire.*
Earl of *Droghedah.*
Earl of *Bath.*
Lord *Fairfax.*
Lord *Latimore.*
Lord *Delameer.*
Lord *Lumley.*
Lord *Standford.*

Duke of *Ormond.*
Duke of *Somerſet.*
Lord *Dunblaine.*
Lord *Colcheſter.*
Lord *Lovelace* taken Priſoner going, ſaid to be re-taken.
Lord *Cornbury.*
Lord *Churchill.*
Vice-Admiral *Herbert,* and Captain *Churchill,* at Sea.
Sir *John Trelauny.*
Sir *John Guiſe.*
Sir *Richard Dutton.*
Sir *Robert Payton.*
Colonel *Berkly.*
Eſq; *Bray.*
Captain *Bertue.*
Eſq; *Trenchard.*
Eſq; *Tipping.*
Captain *Griffith.*
Eſq; *Marle.*
Eſq; *Coote.*